

DR. WILLIAM STOY'S

SURE REMEDY

FOR

THE BITE OF MAD DOGS.

Directions for using the Potion:

THE POTION must be warmed in a clean vessel. If it is to be administered to more than one person at a time, it is to be well stirred up as often as it is measured for somebody, for the purpose of not giving to one single person the entire power, which would be too much. If persons are already afflicted with the disease and thus unable to take the medicine without assistance, those who administer to them ought to take a handkerchief over their mouths and noses to detain the breath of the sick from them. The potion is to be taken in the morning before eating any thing, and afterwards the patient ought to fast for several hours longer, and to desist from drinking fresh water, which, if taken immediately after the use of the potion, might kill instantly. In case of necessity there might be taken some wine, or wine mixed with water, never, however, immediately after the use of the potion. During the day, when the potion is taken, no warm beer or milk should be given. A pan-cake baked in butter, may be eaten for dinner at noon-time. The clothing worn while a person has been bitten, or for a time after the bite, must either be destroyed entirely, or for a time be buried or washed, whatever permits washing. When there are wounds, they must be cleaned with an oak-chip and washed out with a little of the potion dissolved in running water, if that can be had, several times a day for several days; for the cure of the wound, a little drawing ointment is sufficient. After the use of the potion nothing must be eaten for two weeks pertaining to hogs, not even anything baked, or cooked, or roasted in lard. Water-fowl and fishes, must also be avoided for that period. Everything that is derived from cabbage, sour or sweet, beans or peas, must likewise not be eaten within two weeks after the use of the potion. After the use of the potion, mild perspiration is very good, but care must be taken not to overheat oneself or to get irritated and excited.

The Dose is as follows, viz:

For an adult person take one quart of strong-beer and an ounce of Red Chick Weed. Put it in a clean earthen vessel and boil it over a coal-fire till it is reduced to one-half, then take an ounce of Treacle, and mix it always stirring with the former, strain it while boiling hot through a clean linen piece of a man's shirt into a clean tin-bowl, leave it standing until it is milk-warm, then put it into a bottle and administer it to the person that has been bitten, in the following manner: If he has a pretty strong constitution, the whole dose may be given to him in three equal portions. Every person ought to be treated thus according to his or her constitution. Is he an adult but still of no strong bodily constitution, a gill in the morning is sufficient, but nevertheless this must be repeated on three successive mornings. To a child of twelve years take only half an ounce of Red Chick Weed and half an ounce of Treacle—but the same quantity of beer—and if the child is under twelve years, it ought to be treated proportionally.

To an animal give the whole dose at one time, but keep the animal for 14 days from the water. Further, it must not receive anything dirty; water and rye-bran may be given for drinking, and neither must this be boiled in a dirty vessel. The dose for an animal must be double that for a strong man.

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